

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR : (a) 3420 approximately.

(b) About 400 in actual service.

(c) Yes. All valloms commandeered and brought into service in 1118 and which have been in actual employment for not less than ten months are generally being released. Besides the above, valloms requiring repairs are also released for specified periods.

(d) 610 commandeered valloms have been released on the whole for various periods.

(e) Vide answer to part (c)

(f) Valloms were originally commandeered by the Executive Engineer, Kottayam. The Officer generally responsible for the commandeering of valloms and their release from Makaram 1119 is Mr. P. Parameswaran Pillai, District Magistrate on Special Duty.

P. W. D. Workshops.

18. *MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is a proposal to sell or lease out the P. W. D. Workshops to anybody; if so, to whom and why?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): No.

State Transport.

19. *MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to lease out the State Transport or to entrust the management thereof to any independent body or any concern, if so, to whom and why?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER (*Secretary to Government*): No.

Energy supplied to Aluminium Factory.

20. *MR. P. S. NATARAJA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state the amount of energy in K. W. supplied to Aluminium Factory in 1119 and the amount received for the same?

MR. P. JOSEPH JOHN (*Ag. Electrical Engineer to Government*): A maximum demand of 4600 K. W. The total amount received for the power supply during 1119 was S. Rs. 3,92,474-5-9.

Hydro-Electric Power from the 'Idiki' Waterfalls.

21. *MR. K. M. PAUL (*Muvattupuzha cum Devicolum*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether they have considered the possibility of producing Hydro-electric power from the 'Idiki' waterfalls in the Thodupuzha taluk; and

(b) if the answer to part (a) is in the affirmative whether they have made any preliminary survey and prepared an estimate for the working of the same?

MR. P. JOSEPH JOHN : (a) Yes.

(b) No. Since the P. H. E. Scheme already worked by Government and found more economical than the 'Idiki' scheme admits of further development.